

# COMS W4115

## Programming Languages and Translators

### Homework Assignment 3

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Submit solution on paper (no email or Courseworks). Please write your name clearly on the paper.

Do this assignment alone. You may consult the instructor and the TAs, but not other students.

1. For the following C array,

```
int a[3][2];
```

assume you are working with a 32-bit little-endian processor with the usual alignment rules (e.g., a Pentium) and

- Show how its elements are laid out in memory.
- Write an expression for calculating the address of the starting byte of `a[i][j]`.
- Verify parts a) and b) by writing a small C program that contains and accesses such an array and looking at the assembly language output with the C compiler's `-S` flag (e.g., `gcc -O -S array.c`). Turn in a copy of your C program and an **annotated** version of the assembly listing. Make sure the assembly listing is no more than about 40 lines.

2. In an assembly-language-like notation (e.g., use MIPS or a pseudocode of your own choosing), write what an optimizing compiler would produce for the following two switch statements.

```
switch (a) {  
  case 1:  z = 3; break;  
  case 3:  x = 1; break;  
  case 4:  x = 7; break;  
  case 6:  x = 5; y = 5; break;  
  case 7:  y = 4; x = 4; break;  
  default: z = 4; break;  
}
```

```
switch (b) {  
  case 2:  a = 42; break;  
  case 20: a = 2; break;  
  case 110: c = 5; break;  
  case 893: b = 2; c = 3; break;  
  default: c = 32; break;  
}
```

3. For a 32-bit little-endian processor with the usual alignment rules, show the **memory layout** and **size in bytes** of the following three C variables.

```
union {  
  struct {  
    short x; /* 16 bits */  
    char y; /* 8 bits */  
  } s;  
  int z; /* 32 bits */  
} a;
```

```
struct {  
  char u;  
  short v;  
  char w;  
  char x;  
  char y;  
  short z;  
} b;      struct {  
  int w;  
  short x;  
  short y;  
  char z;  
} c;
```

4. Consider the following C-like program.

```
int w = 5;  
int x = 7;  
  
int incw() { return ++w; }  
int incx() { return ++x; }  
  
void foo(y, z){  
  printf("%d\n", y + 1 + y);  
  x = 11;  
  printf("%d\n", z);  
}  
  
int main() {  
  foo(incw(), incx()); return 0;  
}
```

What does it print if the language uses

- Applicative-order evaluation?
- Normal-order evaluation?